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Complete if Known	
Application Number	10/057,735
Filing Date	January 22, 2002
First Named Inventor	Christopher Szeto
Examiner Name	HERNANDEZ, Olga
Group/Art Unit	2144
Attorney Docket No.	50269-0585

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

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3. Applicant(s) is entitled to small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge – late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	450	2252	225	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	1,020	2253	510	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,590	2254	795	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,160	2255	1,080	Extension for reply within fifth month	

1401	500	2401	250	Notice of Appeal	
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1452	500	2452	250	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
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1453	1,500	2453	750	Petition to revive – unintentional	
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1501	1,400	2501	700	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1502	800	2502	400	Design issue fee	
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1504	300	2504	300	Publication Fee	
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1463	200	1463	200	Petitions Director not specifically provided for Group II	
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1464	130	1464	130	Petitions Director not specifically provided for Group III	
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8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
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1809	790	2809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
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1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

	Highest Paid Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from Below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	37	-37=	0	X 50.00 = 0.00
Independent Claims	4	- 4	0	X 200.00 = 0.00
Multiple Dependent				=

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	50	2202	25	Claims in excess of 20
1201	200	2201	100	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	360	2203	180	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	200	2204	100	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	50	2205	25	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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SUBTOTAL (3)

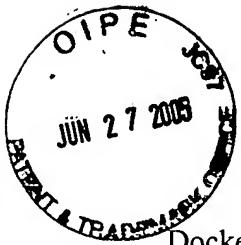
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Docket No. 50269-0585

2144
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In re Application of : Group Art Unit: 2144
Christopher Szeto : Examiner: HERNANDEZ, Olga
Serial No.: 10/057,735 :
Filed: January 22, 2002 :
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2005, the shortened statutory period for which runs until June 24, 2005.

Applicant's representative conducted a brief telephone interview with the Examiner on May 5, 2005, in which the identification of the references cited in the present Office Action were questioned. In particular, Applicant's representative inquired as to the validity of reference numbers for patents cited as prior art in the Office Action mailed on March 24, 2005. The Office Action referred to a reference identified by "Kim (2002/0018658)." However, the published patent application identified as 2002/0018658 is a patent application to inventors Sakai, Saito and Kawamura, in a completely unrelated field.

After reviewing the Office Action, the Examiner stated that there was an error in the citation, and that another Office Action would need to be generated to correct the error, as the correct reference number was unknown.

An Interview Summary letter requesting the issuance of a corrected Office Action was mailed on May 17, 2005, in accordance with the Examiner's instructions from the May 5, 2005 interview.

Applicants would appreciate the issuance of a corrected Office Action that provides the correct citation and resets the period for response accordingly.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

To the extent necessary to make this reply timely filed, the Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

If any applicable fee is missing or insufficient, throughout the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to any applicable fees and to credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: June 22, 2005

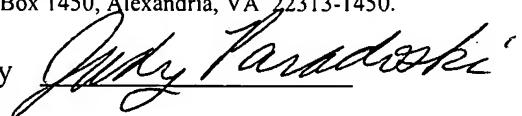
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